

Capsule Summary

Inventory No.F-3-215

Brengle House
606 East Patrick Street
Frederick (Frederick County), MD
Ca. 1885
Access: Private

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1. Name of Property

(indicate preferred name)

historic Brengle House (preferred)

other Hurley Hilt'n

2. Location

street and number 606 East Patrick Street

not for publication

city, town Frederick

vicinity

county Frederick

3. Owner of Property

(gives names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name	Ralph E. Hurley
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street and number 606 East Patrick Street

telephone

city, town Frederick

state Maryland

zip code 21701

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County

liber 1858

folio 1067

city, town Frederick

tax map 418

tax parcel 1218A

tax ID number 064804

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

Contributing Resource in National Register District

Contributing Resource in Local Historic District

Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register

Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register

Recorded by HABS/HAER

Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT

Other:

6. Classification

Category		Ownership		Current Function		Resource Count	
	district		Public		agriculture		landscape
x	building(s)	x	Private		commerce/trade	1	recreation/culture
	structure		Both		defense		religion
	site			x	domestic		social
	object				education		transportation
					funerary	1	work in progress
					government		unknown
					health care		vacant/not in use
					industry		other:
						Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
						0	

7. Description

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Condition

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Brengle House is located on a level lot on the south side of East Patrick Street (Baltimore Pike) in the eastern section of Frederick. The house faces north overlooking the Frederick Fairgrounds. This segment of East Patrick Street is lined with mature sycamore trees two to three feet in diameter and approximately forty feet tall. The yard level is about 18 inches above that of the public sidewalk and is divided by a concrete walk that leads from Patrick Street to the house. Evergreen hedges parallel both sides of this walk and go across the front of the porch. A privet hedge four feet tall and three feet wide runs the length of the eastern border of the lot with a paved drive between this hedge and the lawn. There is a large maple tree in the front yard and mature evergreens along the western edge of the lot. The dwelling is a late 19th century frame building with a projecting frontal gable.

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The second story of the projecting gable is sheathed with beaded boards that have been attached in a diamond shaped pattern. Within the gable above this siding are decorative wood shingles with two horizontal courses of fish scale patterning midway up the gable and two courses of saw tooth patterned shingles at the bottom. There is also a decorative, turned trim in this gable. The majority of the houses exterior is sheathed with German siding. There is a one room, one story addition on the west side of the house with a shed roof and wood siding.

Windows are two over two with plain trim, heavy wood sills and lintels. The windows also have fixed louvered shutters that appear to be in working condition. The entrance door has a large glass panel in its the upper half and wood panels in the lower. The sidelights that flank the door have just one long pane of glass in each. The transom above the door has eight panes or lights arranged in decorative pattern using two horizontal rows.

The porch has a wooden floor about two feet above the level of the yard and is supported by square brick piers. Decorative, turned post and pilasters support a low-pitched roof that is covered with flat seamed sheet metal. The porch roof has a low pediment directly in front of the house's projecting bay. The porch also has a band of turned spindle work just below the eaves running between the posts. Small brackets are located at the junction of the post and this band of decorative trim. There is a low balustrade with a flat handrail and turned balusters across the front and west end of the porch. Two sets of concrete stairs lead up from the yard to the porch, one the north side and one on the east.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics <input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine <input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education <input type="checkbox"/> industry <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture <input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation <input type="checkbox"/> law <input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage <input type="checkbox"/> literature <input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ <input type="checkbox"/> maritime history <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> settlement <input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____
Specific dates	c.1885-1920s	Architect/Builder unknown
Construction dates	Ca. 1885	

Evaluation for:

☐ National Register ☐ Maryland Register ☒ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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This section of East Patrick Street went through a rapid phase of development in the early part of the 20th century after a slow beginning in the last decades of the 19th century. A number of enterprising individuals purchased tracts of land, formerly agricultural fields, along the south side of Patrick Street subdividing the land into building lots, and selling the lots to prospective homebuilders. These subdivisions were part of a general trend of urban expansion throughout the United States. Typically the lots had deep setbacks from the street and relatively large single-family residences.

Ann E. Brengle purchased lots one through four of Falconers Subdivision in November of 1878 from William and Mary Falconer.¹ It is believed that Ann and her husband Richard built the house circa 1885, just prior to its sale in 1887 to Laura King.² Ownership of the property changed several times over a short span of years until Dr. Henry P. Fahrney and his wife Bessie purchased the property in 1916.³ Dr. Fahrney was a prominent doctor in the area at the end of the 19th century. The Fahrney family retained possession of the property for thirty years.

¹ Frederick Co. Land Record, Liber TG 10, Folio 491.

² Ibid, Liber WIP 4, Folio 285; the value of the four lots had risen to \$1,350 at this 1887 sale, from \$400 in 1878.

³ Ibid, Liber 318, Folio 99.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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McAlester, Virginia and Lee. A Field Guild to American Houses. New York: Alfred A. Knoph, 1998.
Frederick County Land Records. Frederick County Courthouse. Frederick Co., Maryland.

Maps:

Lake, D. J. Atlas of Frederick County Maryland. C. O. Titus & Company. Philadelphia: 1873. Reproduction reprinted by Frederick Landmarks Foundation. 2000

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, Frederick City, microfilm collection, Maryland Room, C. Burr Artz Library, Frederick, MD.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 1.01

Acreage of historical setting 1.20

Quadrangle name Frederick

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The surveyed property includes the entire Parcel #1218 of Tax Map 418, as described in Frederick County Land Records Liber 1858, Folio 1067. The surveyed area contains the entire property now associated with the Brengle House.

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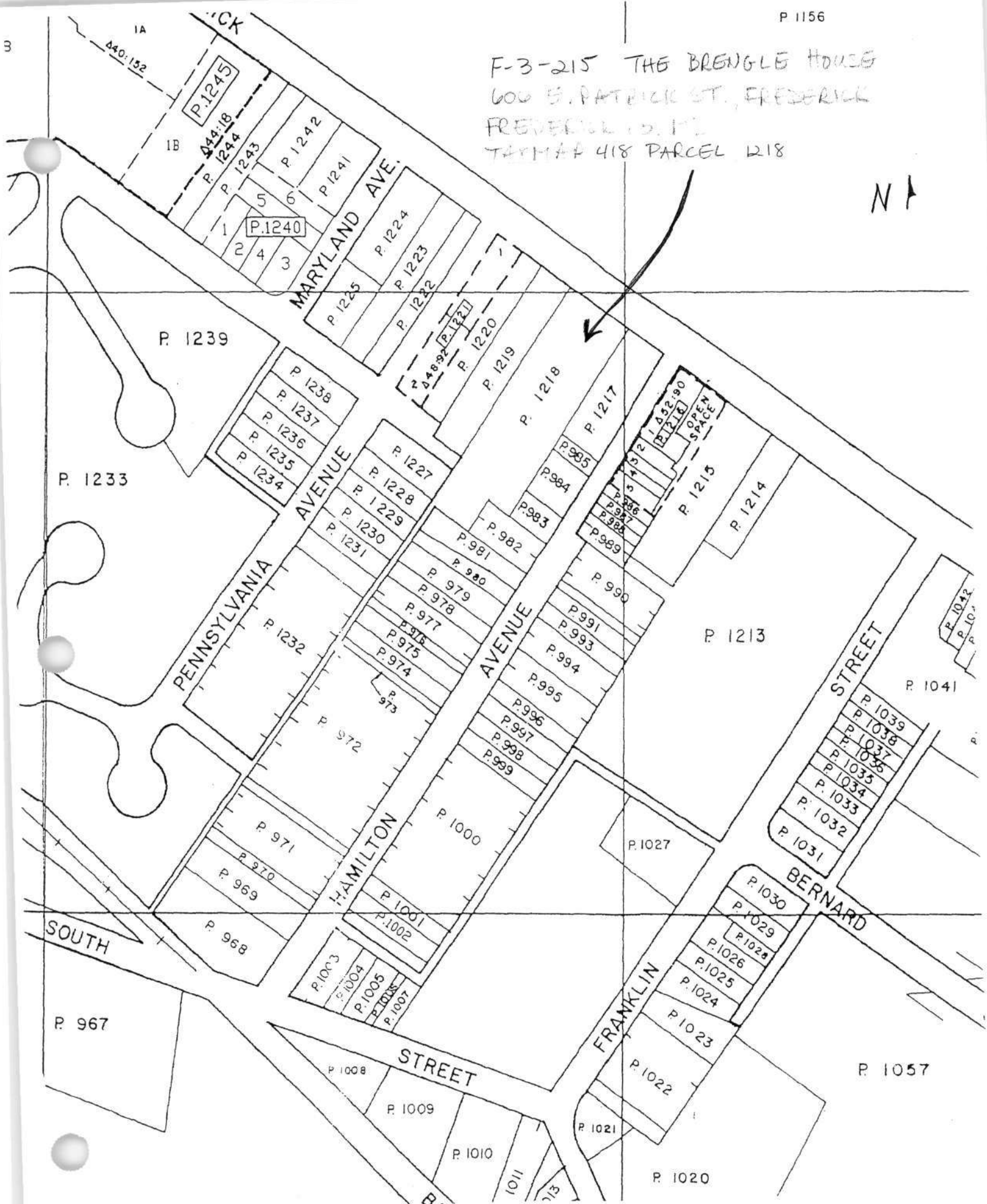
state Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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1/2 MILE RACE TRACK

GRAND STAND

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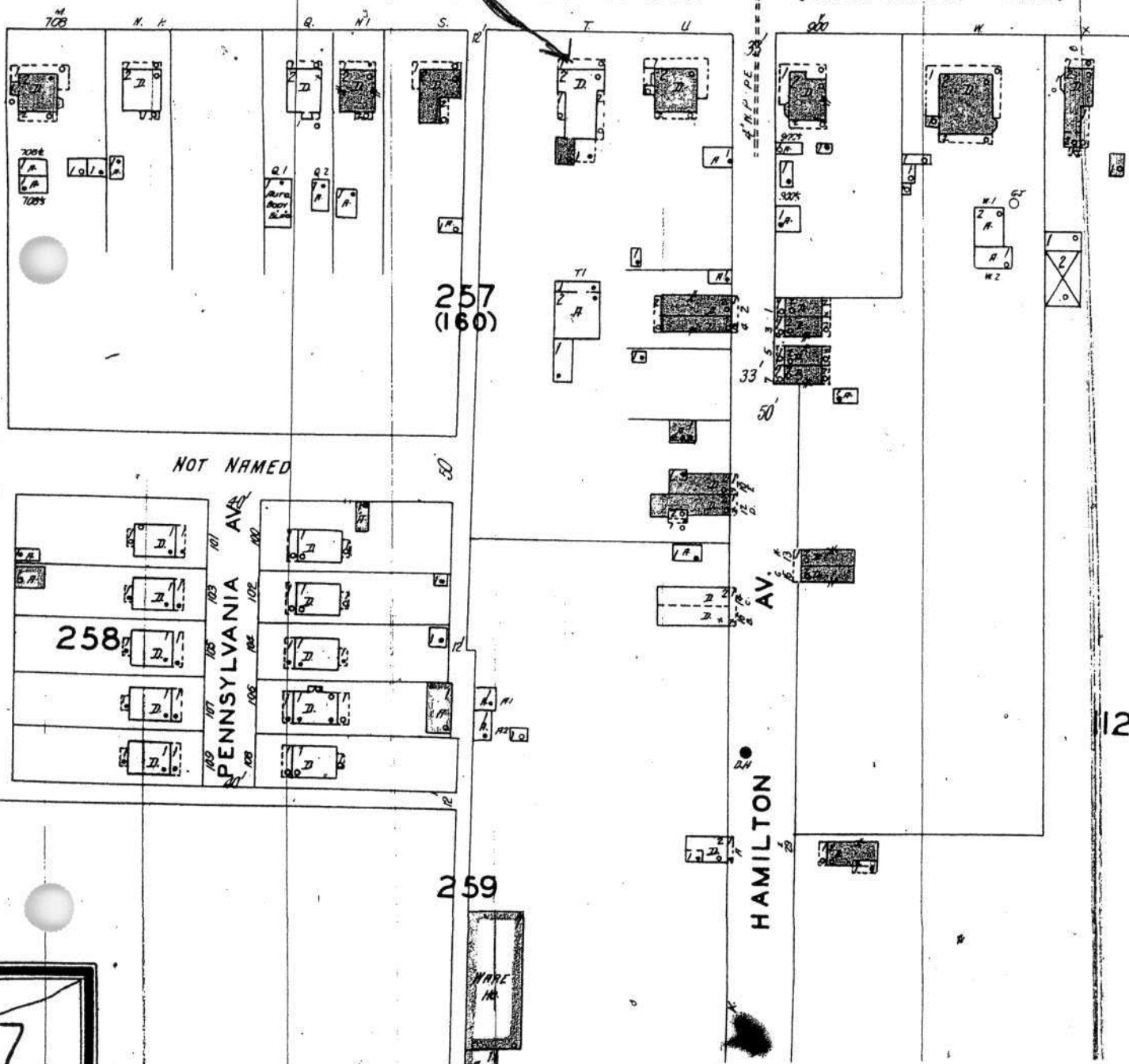


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606 E. PATRICK ST. FREDERICK
FREDERICK CO. MD
SANBORN FIRE INSURANCE MAP 1930



SITE PLAN

E. PATRICK (BALTIMORE PIKE)

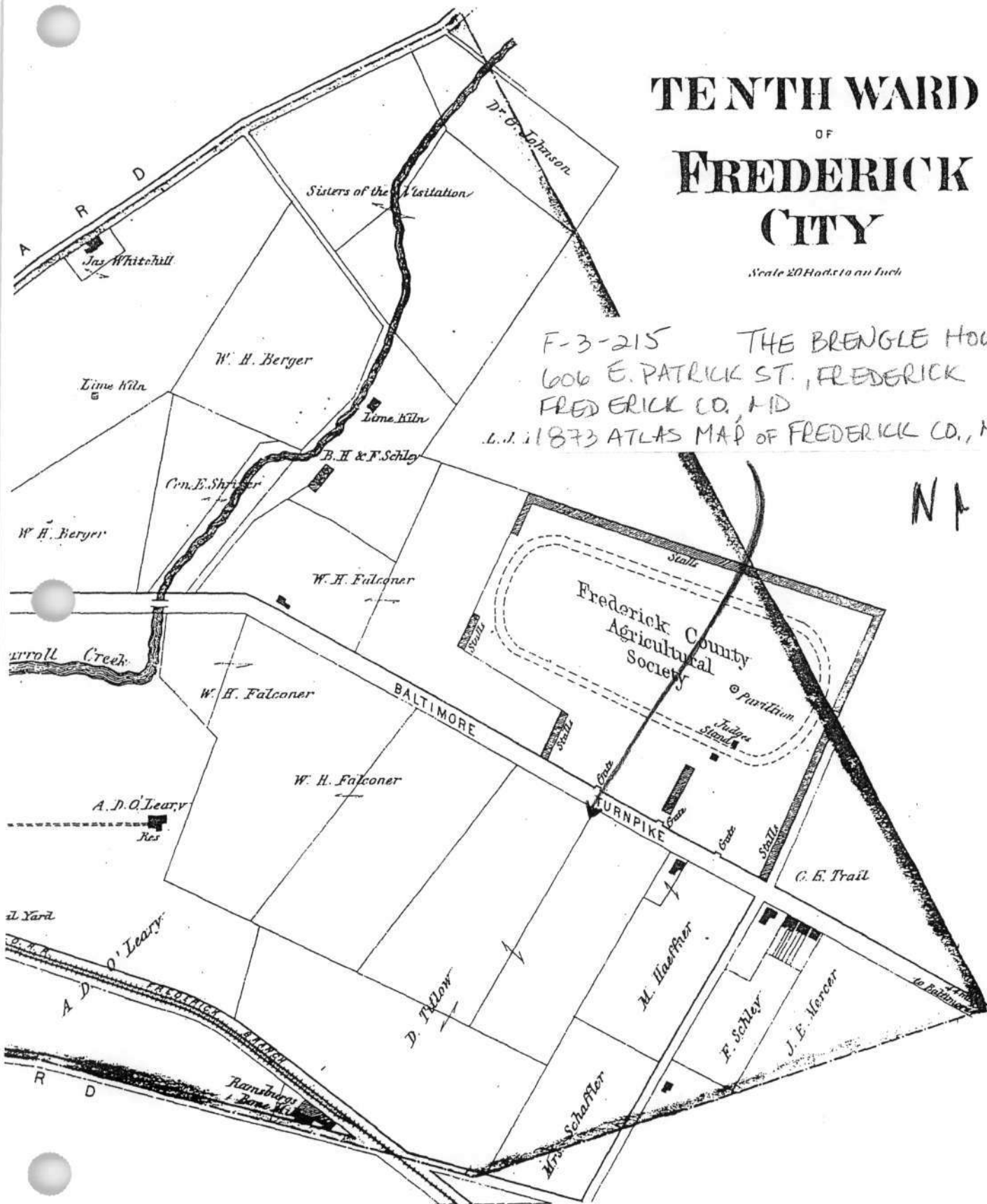


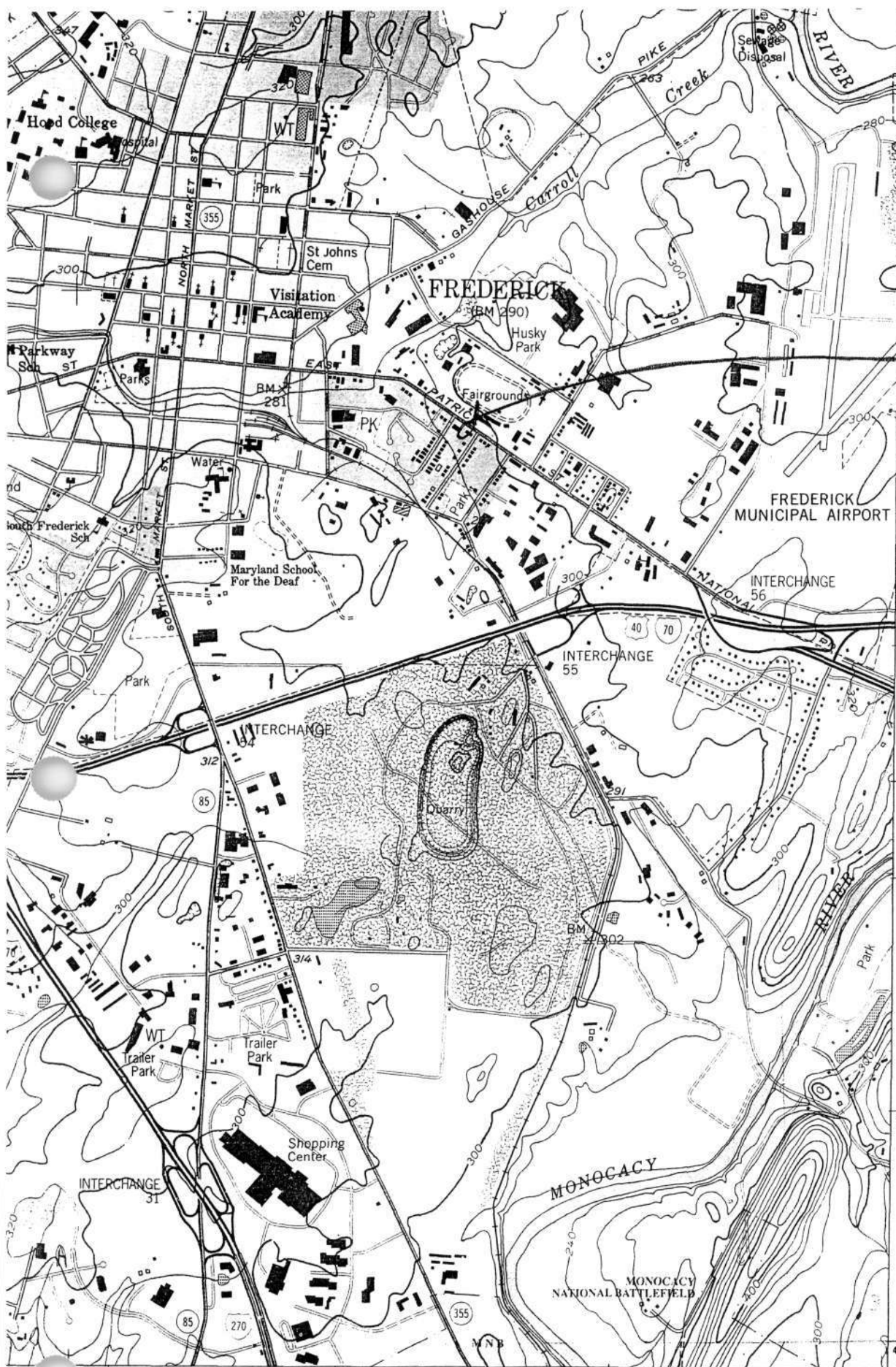
TENTH WARD OF FREDERICK CITY

Scale 20 Feet to an Inch

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606 E. PATRICK ST., FREDERICK
FREDERICK CO., MD
L.I. 1873 ATLAS MAP OF FREDERICK CO., MD

NA





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 THE BRENGLE HOUSE
 606 E. PATRICK ST.
 4366
 FREDERICK
 FREDERICK CO., MD
 25'
 USGS Frederick, Md
 Quad
 NA

1 MILE

URBANA 4.6 MI.
 WASHINGTON D.C. 40 MI

INTERIOR-GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA-1994

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
Secondary highway, hard surface	Unimproved road

4361000m N
 39°22'30"
 295000m E 77°22'30"

(URBANA)
 5562 IV SE



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606

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View - south - north facade

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View - southwest - north + east facades

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MURLEY HULT'N
606
1401 PARK STREET
ROOMS - EFFICIENCIES
HARDY - HOT - COLD - WARM - HEAT

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View - southeast - north facade

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